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Invention: DATA TRANSMISSION CONTROL METHOD, DATA TRANSMITTING METHOD, DATA TRANSMITTING APPARATUS, AND RECEIVING APPARATUS

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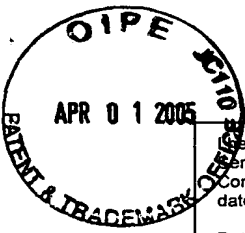
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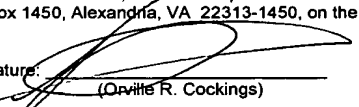
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| For: DATA TRANSMISSION CONTROL METHOD, | :                         |
| DATA TRANSMITTING METHOD, DATA         | :                         |
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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed December 1, 2004, applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.